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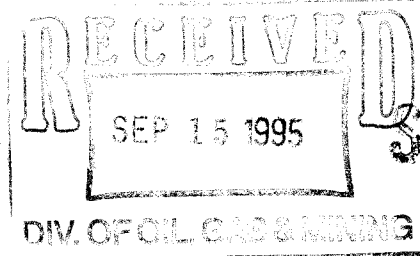
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Mr. Richard Barson  
Interstate Gold & Gas, Inc.  
64 East 300 South  
P.O. Box 85  
Clarkston, Utah 84305



SEP 14 1995

Dear Mr. Barson:

On November 10, 1994 and December 29, 1994 inspections of your Lucky Boy mining operations in western Box Elder County, Utah, were conducted by our personnel to check compliance under BLM's 3809 surface mining regulations, and adherence to instructions to take the necessary precautions to prevent undue damage or degradation to other resources effected by your operation. The inspections identified the following concerns:

1. The pinyon and juniper trees were not cut and removed prior to any surface disturbance. Woody material and/or stumps have been pushed into the fill portion of the road during construction. Slash stockpiles along the route for use as cover during rehabilitation have not been established. The mountain mahogany was not protected during construction. This is not in compliance with your Notice and we expect you to remove this material from the roadbed, as much as possible, and stabilize all slumping areas.
2. You have not remitted the \$885.00 for the wood products consumed during construction. Payment must be submitted immediately.
3. A sufficient amount/number of soil and vegetation stockpiled/stockpiles was not saved for use during reclamation. During reclamation suitable material will have to be brought in to complete reclamation properly.
4. Two of the three unplugged drill holes identified in earlier inspections were observed unattended in our most recent field inspection. The remaining unplugged drill hole could not be located during our inspection, however, it is assumed that it has been incorporated into the apron of the floor of the pit and not properly plugged. All drill holes must be plugged in accordance with the State of Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act before the close of this mining season.
5. Reclamation work has not been completed on areas disturbed during your exploration activities and not incorporated into the area used for the current operation. Reclamation must be completed on these areas before the close of this mining season or a new notice for further activities needs to be submitted.

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6. During construction of the access route debris and soil has been pushed into stream channels and dry washes and no proper water handling devices have been installed at these junctures. The debris must be removed and water control devices installed prior to the close of this mining season.

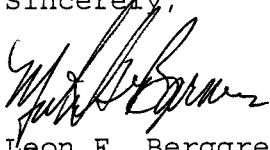
7. No report of accomplishments for calendar year 1993, or new Notice for calendar year 1994 has been received by our office. A report of your accomplishments for these mining seasons must be received within thirty days of receipt of this letter. No new Notice for calendar year 1995 has been received by our office. A report of accomplishments for calendar year 1995 should be received in this office by January 31, 1996.

Within 30 days of receipt of this letter, submit the information which satisfactorily replies to the concerns listed above and include a schedule to remedy the undue and unnecessary degradation that has occurred on your mining operation.

Failure to comply with this request will result in a formal Notice of Non-compliance being issued. All claimants/operators who have established a Record of Noncompliance are subject to added regulations found in 43 CFR 3809.3-2 "Noncompliance". Noncompliance may require the claimants/operators to submit a Plan of Operations for all mining activity, and have a bond which would cover 100% of the cost of reclamation of all mining activities.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Dan Washington, our Surface Protection Specialist for 3809 activities at (801) 977-4300.

Sincerely,

  
Leon E. Berggren  
Bear River Resource Area Manager

cc: Lynn Kunzler, UDOGM  
Glen L. Williams, Claimant

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